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Change in Wording of ▮▮ Target for Rumania

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1. Some of the wording in ▮▮ target IId. (L) in the list of
15 November 1957 should be changed because the Rumanian Statistical
Yearbook which we subsequently received contained some of the infor-
mation for which we had asked. However, the Yearbook did not contain
inventory figures, which we still sorely need. The change would be
as follows:

Objective IId. (remain same)

Background

To estimate the transport capabilities of Rumania, it is nec-
essary to have accurate figures on inventories of railroad motive
power and rolling stock, motor trucks, and floating stock in inland
shipping and merchant ships. These inventory figures are not avail-
able from published sources such as Statistical Yearbook of the
Rumanian People's Republic, Rumanian technical periodicals on trans-
portation, and Rumanian statistical periodicals.

Although inventory figures are needed primarily to determine
whether the transportation system is capable of meeting the traffic
requirements of the economy, they would serve also to determine the
capabilities of the system to move various types of military equip-
ment. It would thus improve our estimates of Soviet capabilities
to launch a military offensive using Satellite transport.

Basic Requirement

It is believed that the inventory figures referred to are avail-
able in a transportation "handbook" or "yearbook" that is furnished
only to rather high officials in the Ministry of Transportation and
Telecommunications. The handbook is probably classified "Secret."

Although there is primarily interest in inventory data, the
handbook probably would contain other useful statistics on the
performance of Rumanian transportation.

Target	Location
Transportation Yearbook or Handbook probably classified "Secret"	Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications; Central Directorate of Statistics; Regional transport offices.

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